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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, applicant cites, and provides copies of the following art references:

U.S. PATENT REFERENCES

	<u>U.S. Patent No.</u>	<u>Inventor(s)</u>	<u>Issued Date</u>
✓	5,216,662	Stefansky et al.	1 June 1993
✓	5,208,713	Lindsay et al.	4 May 1993
✓	4,881,139	Hazebrouck	14 November 1989

FOREIGN PATENT REFERENCES

	<u>U.K. Patent No.</u>	<u>Inventor(s)</u>	<u>Issued Date</u>
✓	EP 1 037 201 A2	Jang	20 September 2000

	<u>Japanese Patent No.</u>	<u>Inventor(s)</u>	<u>Issued Date</u>
✓	JP 9-22568	Mita	21 January 1997

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	<u>WIPO Patent No.</u>	<u>Inventor(s)</u>	<u>Issued Date</u>
✓	WO 96/10249	Bruner	4 April 1996

Other Documents

✓ United Kingdom Patent Office's Combined Search and Examination Report under Sections 17 and 18(3) dated 15 February 2002.

There seems to be impossibly '201 reference was said by the British patent examiner to disclose the use of a driven pivoted latch to engage a protrusion on a hard disk drive actuator.

The Maxtor '249, Conner '662, Quantum '713, Priam '139, Hitachi '568 were said by the British examiner to employ an external coil that interacts with magnetic material on the actuator latch arm to drive the arm.

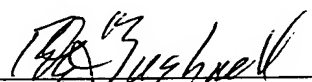
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